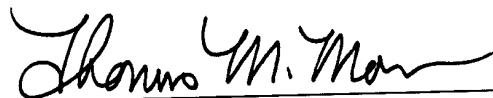




Applicants believe that there are no fees due in association with this filing of this Response. However, should the Commissioner deem that any fees are due, including any fees for extensions of time, the Commissioner is authorized to debit Baker Botts L.L.P. Deposit Account No. 02-0383, (*formerly Baker & Botts, L.L.P.*) Order Number 063718.0152, for any underpayment of fees that may be due in association with this filing.

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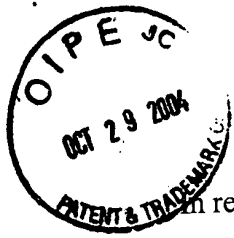
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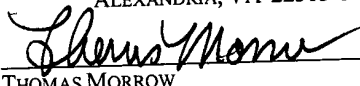
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**AMENDMENT**  
**AND**  
**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111 TO**  
**NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION, MAILED AUGUST 4, 2004**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on August 4, 2004 (the "Office Action"), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Abstract** are set forth on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 21 of this paper.